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Nuu-Chah-Nulth people show interest in politics and culture at annual assembly

The 1981 Nuu-Chah-Nulth Tribal Council Annual Assembly was held at Maht Mahs in Port Alberni on September 24, 25 and 26.

The assembly was held to give all Nuu-Chah-Nulth people the chance to voice any concerns they had regarding the operations of the council and to give them direction for the future.

As was expected there was a very good turnout for the assembly, as all 13 band councils were in attendance (plus Kyuquot to make it 14) and several hundred band members travelled from their reserves to take part and to listen.

Besides the usual business matters of the Tribal Council there were many other activities over the three days including guest speakers from other Indian organizations, films, presentations in honor of elders, Indian dancing, lahal games and a seafood banquet.

Also on the agenda was the election of chairman and co-chairman for the next four years. George Watts was re-elected as chairman by acclamation and Simon Lucas was elected to the position of co-chairman.

The previous co-chairman, Edgar Charlie resigned at the assembly due to his poor health.

Reports on the year's activities were given by the staff members and comments were made on their future roles. Staff reports were given by John Masai (forester),

Dave Lewis (education and employment), Stuart Adams (planning consultant - report on museum committee), Paul George (researcher-environmental concerns) and Lynda Sutherland (alcohol counsellor).

John Masai and Richard Watts, who is chairman of the Tribal Council Forestry Committee reported on forestry projects which includes the Forestry Crew Training Program that was completed by 10 young band members and various projects that are being planned for reserves that will give employment in forestry.

Earl Smith spoke on the future direction of the Nuu-Chah-Nulth people in regards to forestry, with emphasis on the funding required. Earl said that there is a need for financial advice to Indian operators in the forestry business.

Dave Lewis reported on education. He said that there was a need for funding to carry on with the work of teaching the Indian language. One area that funding was required was to carry on with the work of Peter Webster and Francis Charlie, two elders from Ahousat who are experts in their language and have diplomas in linguistics. Dave said that he has also been trying to develop training for native tutors on reserves.

The Tribal Council has had an education committee, however several bands did not have



Our Greatest Resource — The youth, the young singers and dancers from the Mowachaht Band lived up to this slogan at the annual assembly.

representatives on their committee. These bands named their committee members at the assembly.

Several resolutions regarding education were passed including: Parents have the right to choose the education they want for their children; Tribal Council agrees to co-operate with other organizations regarding education; Tribal Council supports band-operated schools and developed curriculum; Tribal Council endorses the principle of band administered leader training; Tribal Council

supports the abolishment of the present Master Tuition Agreement and supports a community-based tuition agreement; Tribal Council supports the promotion of cultural awareness and education through their summer cultural camp, Indian language dictionary and others means, and the Tribal Council opposes cutbacks in training dollars from manpower.

Another topic that generated a lot of interest was the proposed museum project. Stuart Adams gave a report on the museum committee meetings to date, which is

covered in full elsewhere in this paper. A lot of suggestions were offered from the floor. It was suggested that this museum be of a massive size so that all Nuu-Chah-Nulth tribes have the opportunity to contribute to it. Other suggestions were that it be located beside the sea, as the Nuu-Chah-Nulth were a maritime culture, and that it should be on neutral territory, on land given back by the government.

Moses Smith was appointed chairman of the museum committee.

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Letters

All our discussion at meetings will come to naught unless we organize now to boot this provincial government out come next election. By block voting we can carry almost any constituency in B.C. What are we waiting for? Let's attack this problem now. Not tomorrow or any tomorrows, NOW! Let our catchword be NOW.

The governments know we are weak and divided, therefore we have no clout. We don't need to belong to any party. We should support the NDP this round. Then if they don't listen to our problems we just boot them out next round. If we are organized they will come looking for us, asking us our problems. It's as simple as that. We are our own worst enemy. Really we have no one to blame but ourselves. What have we got now? Confrontation there. Quote from history: "It was perhaps this inter-tribal warfare which permitted the Europeans to gain foothold in the new land and rapidly exploit it. Had the tribes united against their common enemy the history of B.C. would have been written quite differently."

We do have a lot of public support. Keep in mind Vander Zalm's words, "Indians go back to your reserves." Allan Williams said he does not believe we have aboriginal rights. His contempt for one of the most fundamental requirements of democracy is beyond me, that is the laws without our participation.

For Indian claims research Saskatchewan gave the Indians 5.4 million dollars and one million acres of land last year. In B.C. we got the grand sum of \$61,800 in 1979 for programs. That is roughly 77 cents per native. Digest that.

We must never waver from the fact that this is our land. We must manage our rivers. Foremost though is conservation. Then we must see that it is up to its potential, that is keeping the rivers clean and laying charges against

ALFRED RECALMA

October 16, 1981

Dear West Coast Basketmakers:

The news media says, "Natives could claim billions." I say, so what! What did you expect to pay for Canada, some beads? Canada is one of the richest countries in the world. You knew the day would come when you would have to make amends for your skulduggery. We were ousted from our lands, our homes and our livelihood upset. All this done by professed Christian people. The church was in forefront saying, "Do the whiteman no harm, he only wants to live near you peacefully", utter hypocrisy.

In your bible, Exodus 20:5, "The sins of the fathers shall be visited upon the children." This means the sins forming fathers as well as the physical fathers. All these sins of greed for other peoples' property are finally being visited upon the children. You have your chance now to be "divvy up" so this similar dread inheritance is not passed on to your children. We have been here for thousands of years. We did not come the route your history say we did.

No one has explained the awesome petroglyphs of Nazca. Where it is seen clearly only from the air. That indicates we have contact with outer space. As we have no treaty with you we still claim the resources. In a true sense you have no jurisdiction over us. Your laws should not concern us. The only laws we should adhere to is moral laws.

ALFRED RECALMA

Congratulations

to the various people who spoke on various topics.

I know that with this kind of support we can perhaps look forward to UNITY.

James Adams, Alex Amos, George Amos, Benedict Andrews, Francis Charlie, John Charlie, Josephine Charlie, George Clutesi, Margaret Clutesi, Dan David, Edith David, Joshua Edgar, Martin Edgar, Hippolite Ignace, Able John, Lena Johnson, John Keilah, Frank Knighton, Susan Knighton, Ernest Lauder, Marion Lauder, Mamie Lucas, Willie Manson, Felix Michael, Lilly Michael, Carrie Mickey, Charlie Mickey, Alice Paul, Kelly Peter, Louise Robert, Edith Simon, Martha Smith, Moses Smith, Effie Tate, Josephine Tom, Louisa Tom, Jessie Webster, Peter Webster and if anyone has been left out it is not intentional.

Kleco, Kleco.

**Jonathan King
thanks you**

Congratulations to the following elders for making the time to attend the NTC Annual Assembly held in Port Alberni. These elders sat for numerous hours on hard chairs because they wanted to find out what the NTC has been doing and perhaps even offered some support and direction for the future. It would be a nice thing if some of the younger generation took as much interest in our destiny as these elders.

Also congratulations and thanks go out to those tribes that had their singers and dancers entertaining the people. And a special thank you to "Mustang" and his group for putting on a really fine performance. (Keep up the good work).

It was a comfort to know that so many people are interested and care enough to come and listen

October 16, 1981

Dear Relatives and Friends:

For some 10 years now, I have been planning to Potlatch. My plans were to name my two sons, so that everyone would know how I feel about them, so that they would know how much I want for them in this life.

I want my boys to know what our ceremonies mean and how to go about them. I want my boys to know as many of their relatives as possible; to know them well. I want my boys to feel they are part of our community; family, families, tribe, West Coast. I want my boys to know they have a place in the Potlatch; I want them to know they have a place in this life.

This letter is to notify all those I could not reach in a more personal way. I apologize for the delay of one year. I know by doing this I have hurt many people very deeply. I know too that I have inconvenienced many others, that had taken time off work. I feel very badly, but I know that when my sons do get their names, the Potlatch will be a good thing for all those involved.

Again I will say I am very sorry for any inconvenience to anyone.

During the last 10 years I have visited every occupied village from Kyuquot to Neah Bay, some of them many times. On these visits I have sought always to learn something. I've always spoken with the local elders and historians, "the ones that know things." They have been most helpful to me, giving information about my family tree, names, songs, dances, stories and just about anything else I have looked for. Some have given me old pictures to copy. Still others have given me their own copies of old pictures. Some people have come forward and given me goods to distribute when my boys get their names. A few have created with their own hands, material to be used at the right time.

Others along the coast have offered food stuff. Fishermen, friends and relatives have offered every kind of fish they catch. Someone wanted to give me spuds. I have been offered elk, deer and ducks.

More than all of these other things, I have been given encouragement. All along the West Coast I have been told, "please

give the NTC a hand." I have come forward and offered me help of different kinds. I was told to be patient with my plans, and others' plans too. I was told to bathe and pray. I was told to show respect for others and to try to do good for them. Whenever I sought advice, it was freely given. I have tried to follow all this advice and I have found it always good and sound.

**Kwayatsapath
(RON HAMILTON)**

WORDS

I will be speaking from the bottom of my heart, about words: As a parent, with six children, I forgot how damaging words can be to a child.

To our children, we command, we give advice, we intrude and we say anything that comes to our mind. We are often imprecise or incorrect. We are oblivious to words that do damage. We are deaf to our tone and style. We forsake fact and good manners.

One day I decided to listen to myself, how I talked to my children. That day I made a mental note of everything I said to my children. The blaming, the shaming, angry hysteria. Making my children feel very small, forgetting my children too were people.

Words can play a big role on how your children will grow up. Words of encouragement. Children will want to better themselves. Compared to saying "How can you be so stupid," the child will say to himself, "Why should I try, a dumb person like me."

The child will lose interest to better himself.

When we see a child misbehaving, we like to blame the fault on the parents, (disturbed parents) thinking only disturbed parents have misbehaving children.

Now that today I am a grandmother, I cannot have but words of Praise for my grandchildren. My grandchildren can do this and that at an early age, why didn't I say those about my own children. Maybe my children would have grown up, thinking more about a happy childhood. Words of encouragement from their mother, I cannot turn back those years gone by, because my children are now grown up.

But I want to advise parents of little children. Please remember words play a big role in raising children. I only wish someone advised me on that. But again, I grew up with parents talking Indian to me. Maybe I didn't really understand the English language.

One day say to your child, I'm so glad that you belong to me, I'm proud of you, it can make a lot of difference to your child.

don't leave us out, we want to help." Older people especially, have encouraged me to do the thing I know is right. Countless words have not fallen on deaf ears. Countless hugs and kisses and smiles have not gone unnoticed.

On September 25, 1981 I gathered 15 elders from along our coast, and announced that the potlatch to name my two sons, was postponed for one year. Later that evening, after my son Johnson performed with the Hesquiaht dancers, at the NTC Assembly, I repeated this announcement to all those attending.

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Another guest speaker at the assembly was Abel Notti from Alaska. Many speakers got up to voice their concern about the use of alcohol. They urged the Tribal Council to continue to work in fighting this problem. Lynda Sutherland, the Tribal Council Alcohol Counsellor was commended for the work she has been doing. Lynda has now moved and Ben David has taken over.

Several people commented on how Indian culture, as it was displayed on the previous evening, can be a good cure for the use of alcohol.

Victor Amos spoke on the Fishererman's Association and what has been done to this date. He urged all Nuu-Chah-Nulth fishermen to get involved before it is too late. There were several questions regarding this association and it is hoped that the fishermen attend future meetings to find out what is going on.

Abel Notti accepted the apology on behalf of his people.

On the night of the banquet everyone was treated to a great display of Indian culture. The Maht Maht gym was filled and everyone saw dance performances by Ahousat, Hesquiaht, Mowachaht and Nitinat.

**HENRY WILLIAMS
PASSES**

Funeral services were held at the Opitsat on October 14 for the late Henry Williams. Mr. Williams passed away by drowning near his home. He was an elder of the Clayoquot Band.

Now it has been completely overhauled, says owner Edwin Frank, including an engine overhaul and all winches overhauled. The ship has gone through the steamship inspection which was necessary before it could go back in service.

Anyone wishing to have cargo moved can contact Edwin Frank at 670-9584.

THANK YOU

I would like to thank all the people that helped me out while the Solander was out of service. Kleko! Kleko!

EDWIN FRANK

The freight boat Solander is now back in service on the West Coast after being completely refitted. The Solander went down at the Cyre Division Camp last February.

Now it has been completely overhauled, says owner Edwin Frank, including an engine overhaul and all winches overhauled. The ship has gone through the steamship inspection which was necessary before it could go back in service.

The Solander has also gone through the Coast Guard inspection as she is a member of the auxiliary rescue service.

It will be another meeting today, Oct. 22, of West Coast native fishermen.

The association was formed to give the native fishermen some political power as they feel they have had little say in regulation changes which affect their livelihood.

Spearheading the drive for organization is Vic Amos, a young troll fisherman who believes that if the native fishermen continue to remain unorganized, they will be run out of business by the ones that are organized. "We should be meeting with fisheries now to tell them what we want for next year," says

**TRIBAL COUNCIL ASSEMBLY
1981**

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Discussion was also quite lengthy regarding the environment and the damage that is being done to areas that have been used by Indians for centuries — Flores Island, Meares Island, the Tahshish Watershed and Gold River to name a few. Logging practices, the use of chemicals, sewage problems were all discussed. Martin Edgar hit the nail on the head when he said, "If the white man wants to support the Native Brotherhood has struggled with money taken out of their members pockets. He agreed that more action has to be taken to prevent the loss of more licences and he said the Native Brotherhood would support the new organization.

James Gosnell, president of the Nuu-Chah-Nulth Tribal Council spoke at the seafood banquet on Friday night. Gosnell emphasized that native title to the land still and always will exist — "lock, stock and barrel."

Most of the people stayed until 2:30 in the morning when the last dance was finished. Joshua Edgar, who is over 90, was still going strong and looked as though he could go all night. Some of the more energetic souls stayed to play lahal until six in the morning and then went for breakfast and back to the meeting.

The last business at the agenda was the election of chairman and co-chairman. George Watts received the only nomination for chairman. Simon Lucas took over the position of co-chairman, polling more votes than Roy Haiyupus.

Several speakers thanked George for his efforts over the years and they wished him and Simon the best of luck in leading them for the next four years.

A final tribute was paid to George when Charlie Thompson and Jimmy Chester danced a sea serpent dance in his honor and presented him with an Eagle print by Joe David.



Abel John, an elder from the Mowachaht Band was given \$200 from the Nuu-Chah-Nulth Tribal Council for suggesting the name "Nuu-Chah-Nulth" for the organization.

Abel John \$200 richer for name suggestion

At the 1978 Annual Assembly of the West Coast District Council, Abel John, an elder from the Mowachaht Band, suggested that the council drop the non-Indian name of West Coast District Council and adopt the name Nuu-Chah-Nulth Tribal Council.

Assembly last month Abel John was presented with \$200 for suggesting the name Nuu-Chah-Nulth.

The council also passed a resolution which was put on the floor by Roy Haiyupus that the council confirm in solidarity the name Nuu-Chah-Nulth.

At the 1981 annual

Fishermen meet at Christie

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This past year 46 days of the fees is being cut out of the troll sidered to \$150 for boat season as well as 25 per owners, \$75 for cent of their efficiency deckhands, and \$10 for eight; also there is no other business at enhancement on the West Coast today's meeting will be the things we could open up constitution of the pose if we had a lobby," association and the says Amos.

Many troll fishermen are concerned that the Organization's troll section may be

Kleco, Kleco!

KLECO, KLECO

...To one and all for making our special day very happy and successful!

Karl, Axel, George — we are definitely sure everyone enjoyed the meal you prepared as much as we both did. We are very grateful to you and we will never forget what you did for us! Thank you very much and we know that you did a superb job!

Norman Tom — the cake that you baked was really a job well done! Thank you very much for that and we admire the decorations — that must have taken a lot of time and concentration!

Much thanks to all the ladies who helped in the kitchen and serving the people — your help has been greatly appreciated! Thank you for your efficient service!!

Special thanks to both of our parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Little Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. Alex Frank Sr., without your support and love, we wouldn't be where we are now! Thank you all for exerting your time and energy into making June 20th a very special and happy day for us! We will never forget you and we love you very much for what you've done! KLECO, KLECO!!

Also, special thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cabellero and their daughter, Lucia, for making the long trip from California to celebrate this happy day with us! To our sisters, Vickie Brown and Lisa Devine, and their husbands, Kelley Brown and Craig Devine — thank you

KLECO, KLECO!

Mr. & Mrs. Francis Frank

Haasitsa

You may have noticed this strange word below the Ha-Shilth-Sa logo on the front page. It is the international linguistic spelling for Ha-Shilth-Sa, and

was suggested to us by Peter Webster of Ahousat, who holds a diploma in Linguistics from the University of Victoria.

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To the Chairman, Chiefs, and Councillors of the Nuu-Chah-Nulth Tribal Council —

This is in no way to be in a critical manner or degrade but to enhance and offer my own personal advice and recommendations for a yet better conference for 1982.

First of all congratulations to all of you who work so hard, day and night, to make positively sure that all went well in the best way it could have been done. I realize your efforts and time were offered and thanking you just doesn't seem enough. But anyway, "a job well done." Now some of my own feelings.

(a) More microphones were needed possibly one mike for each tribe.
(b) "Opening prayers" are very traditional to our people of each day of these meetings.

(c) Possibly an extended a day or two for the conference (so it eliminates the feeling of the "rush-hour tradition.")

(d) All agenda, and extraordinary resolutions should be circulated and issued to all chiefs and councils two weeks prior to meeting.

(k) Set up a booth for fund raising for Land Claims, such as t-shirts, pop, beadwork, knitting, etc.

(l) Babysitting within the premises.

(m) Telephone service in the building somewhere (pay phone) — temporary only if possible.

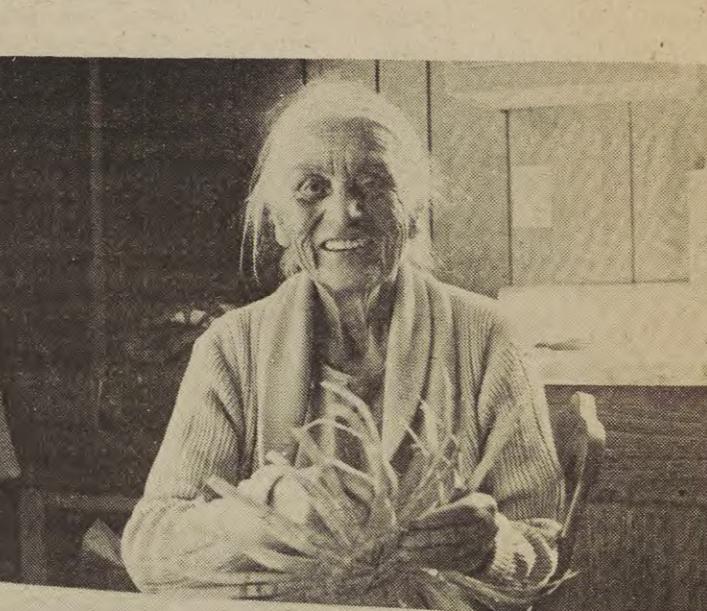
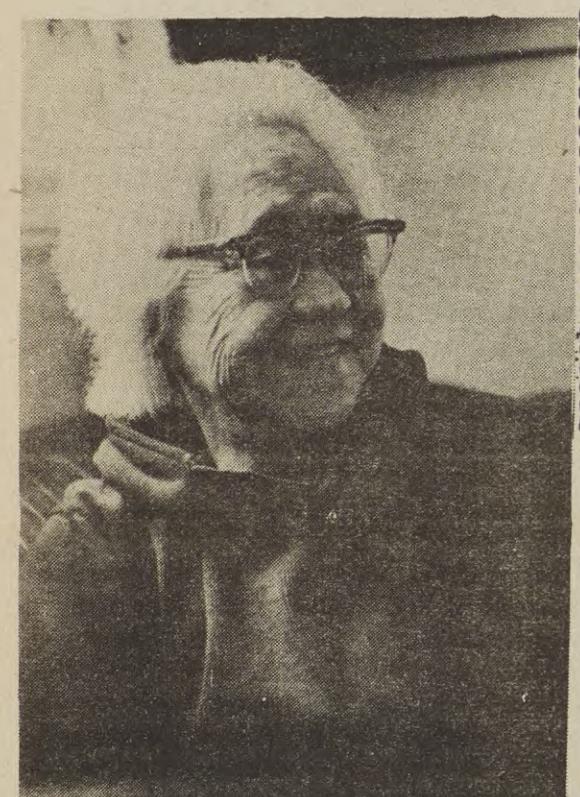
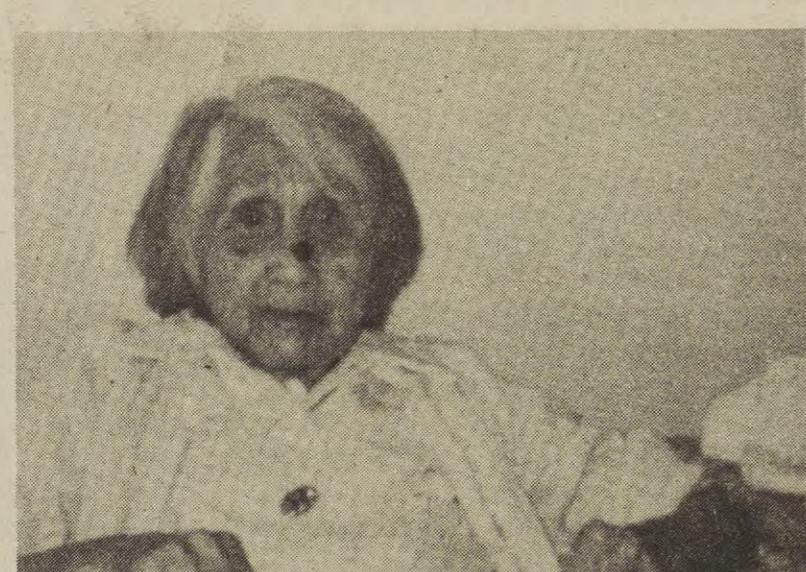
(n) That when the date is set for the next meeting information of when, where, and etc. be circulated in the Ha-Shilth-Sa two or three copies prior to meeting of all what's to be on the agenda and all cultural or other events to take place

at that time.

Realizing that there are a lot more ideas this is only some ideas, suggestions and/or recommendations to be considered by the Tribal Council.

Ben replaces Lynda Sutherland who moved to Duncan when her husband was transferred there on his job.

Elders honoured at annual assembly

Peter Webster,
Ahousat BandMary Little,
Ahousat BandMary Amos,
Hesquiaht BandEdith Simon,
Clayoquot BandLouise Roberts,
Ucluelet BandJacob Gallic,
Tseshaht Band

Eight Nu-Chah-Nulth people were honored by the Tribal Council at the annual assembly. This was done after the banquet on Saturday evening. Large pictures were given to the person who was being honored or in the cases where the person was deceased they were given to a family member.

Honored at this year's assembly were Edith Simon, Clayoquot; Mary Amos and Mike Tom Sr., Hesquiaht; Louise Roberts, Ucluelet; Jacob Gallic and Alex Thomas, Sheshaht; Mary Little and Peter Webster, Ahousat.

A speech was given about each of these elders, telling something about their life and contributions.

Dan David Jr. spoke about Edith Simon, who is the eldest person in the Clayoquot Band at age 93. Dan described her as a wonderful old lady who he enjoys talking to very much in their native language. Edith Simon was at the assembly and she accepted her picture from Dan.

The late Mary Amos was described as a lady who always taught others the meaning of right and wrong. She was a good influence to her many friends and relations. Margaret Joseph accepted her picture on behalf of the family.

Pat Charleson Sr. spoke about Mike Tom Sr., one of the historians and cultural leaders of the Hesquiaht Band. Mike Tom Jr. was on hand to accept his father's picture.

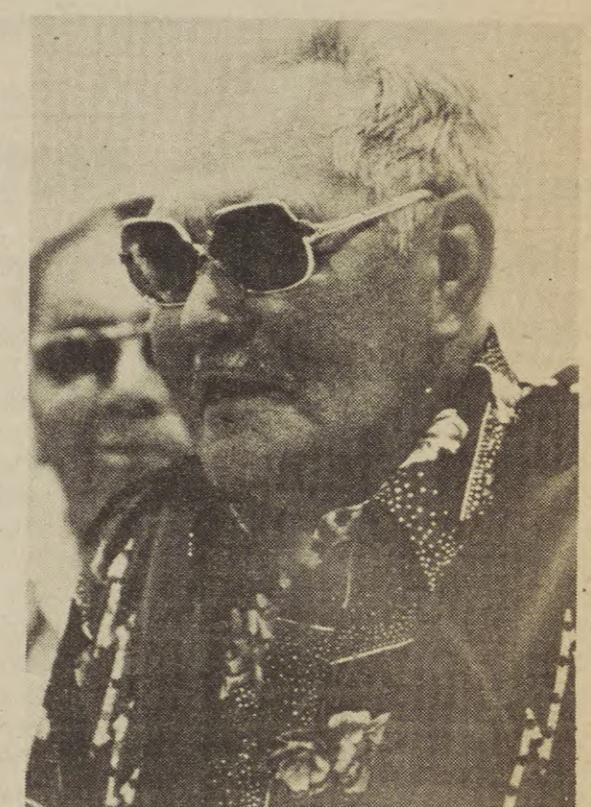
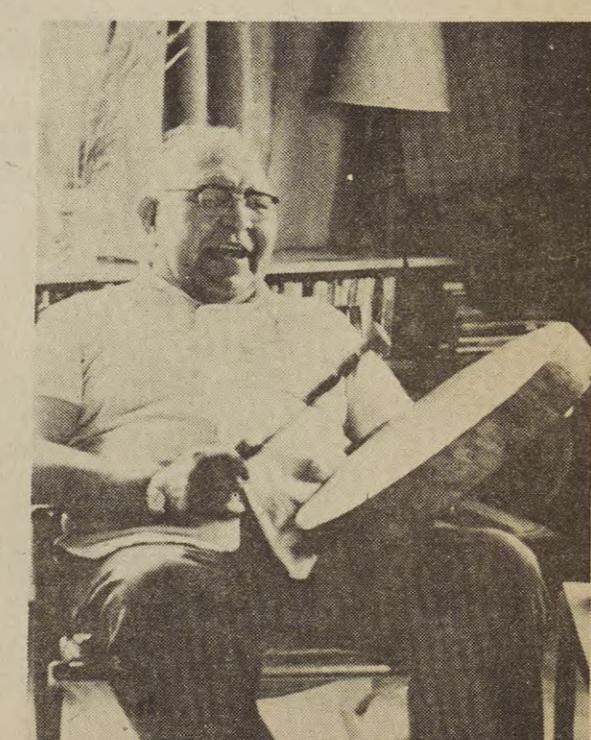
Louise Roberts said that she was very surprised but grateful to be honored in this way. Ucluelet Chief Councillor Larry Baird said that he looked to Louise for her advice and wisdom. Louise has always spoken out on behalf of native rights.

George Watts spoke about the late Jacob Gallic. Jacob was a help to his people in many ways. He was especially well-known for his generosity and sharing of the wealth of the sea, where he spent much of his time fishing and gathering food for those who couldn't go out and get it on their own. His daughter, Irma Bos accepted his picture.

Doug Robinson spoke about the late Alex Thomas. Alex Thomas was another leader when it came to Indian culture — singing, storytelling and language. He was a person who loved to be with other people. Bob Thomas accepted the picture of his father.

The late Mary Little was a great mother, not only to her own family but to everyone. She was well-known as a basketmaker and she was involved in all aspects of life in her community. Her son, Harold Little Sr., and many of her grandchildren were on hand for the presentation.

Peter Webster was honored as a man who has contributed much towards the survival of the Indian language and culture. He has been recently working on an Indian language dictionary and he has a great knowledge of the songs of his band and is often called on to sing at potlatches and other occasions.

Mike Tom Sr.,
Hesquiaht BandAlex Thomas,
Tseshaht Band

Report on Cultural Studies Program School District No. 70 (Alberni)

1. What aspects has determined the first developments of cultural studies?

The philosophy concerning the development of native studies in the schools has received support from native representatives and elders as well as the school district. In order that the native population realize the constraints in which this program is operating, those elements which affect the process of determining priorities in the development of the cultural studies are discussed here.

The initial content identification was made by researching existing documents and was enhanced by supplementary knowledge of the elders. The initial files were made available through the support of the Indian Educational Awareness Society. The society also supported native input through photography, contemporary art, replicas and illustrations.

2. What role has the Native population played in the development?

The volume of these materials made it evident that it was necessary to focus on specific areas and produce the appropriate materials. In doing this the native population accepted the role of providing cultural information, in reviewing finished materials, providing some cultural objects and native art, and some teaching in the classroom.

The researched information and its organization into units was left to the professional discretion of the curriculum developers (Note: one developer is Nuu-Chah-Nulth).

3. What do other Native communities programs have in common with us?

Further influences are at work in the curriculum area. Some of these can be identified, such as the nature of the Nuu-Chah-Nulth tribes as separate entities with a common cultural base but with some distinct differences, the fact that the curriculum developers are working with a culture with a limited native language usage — largely unwritten and, as developers, their effectiveness is governed by their experience in language research, teaching experience and formal educational training. Over and above all of these influences the developers work within the restraints of provincial and district budgets and the policies and support of the school district administration.

4. What kind of provincial guidelines exist?

Other factors which have had an influence on content in the curriculum include not only the Native community but also other curricula developed in other communities and some directions provided by teachers.

5. How is cultural studies effected by already established programs? How was authenticity ensured?

The method of presenting this material to the students is influenced, as content is, by space and learning styles. Also, since developing this material requires much breaking of new ground, a philosophy of "try the program or we will never know and it will never happen" has been an influence. Therefore, the curriculum has been, to date, developed by the best means possible and then reviewed and finally tested in the classroom.

6. How can Native studies cover all Nuu-Chah-Nulth Tribes? Language differences? Old records? Who are the developers?

Those consulted (for curriculum development) by Bernice Touchie: Robert Thomas, Ahousat; Agnes Sam, Sheshaht; Mabel Taylor, Sheshaht; Martin Charles, Nitnat; Cecilia Charles, Nitnat; Charlie Jones, Pacheena; Ida Jones, Pacheena; Robert Sport, Ohiapt.

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Those consulted (for curriculum development) by Kathy Millar: Agnes Dick, Sheshaht; Allan Dick, Sheshaht; Agnes Sam, Sheshaht; Mabel Taylor, Sheshaht; Mrs. Caroline Mickey, Hesquiaht; Ramona Gus, Hesquiaht.

to the grade level, by the learning styles of the students, by available space and by the area of match with the

Provincial Core Curriculum and Native needs policies. An example of policy No. 2 of the Ministry... "The Ministry is committed to the development and implementation of programs in Indian Education when such programs are consistent with the goals of the B.C. Core Curriculum and the aspirations of the Indian people to achieve parity and to maintain their cultural integrity."

To date, the elders have enjoyed this attention to the culture and much more research needs to be done. Band representatives will be sending delegates to form a group which will make a final review of the materials.

I close with many thanks to those persons who have contributed to the curriculum as it stands today. Please attend meetings to help solve some of the issues not resolved as yet.

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Native Curriculum
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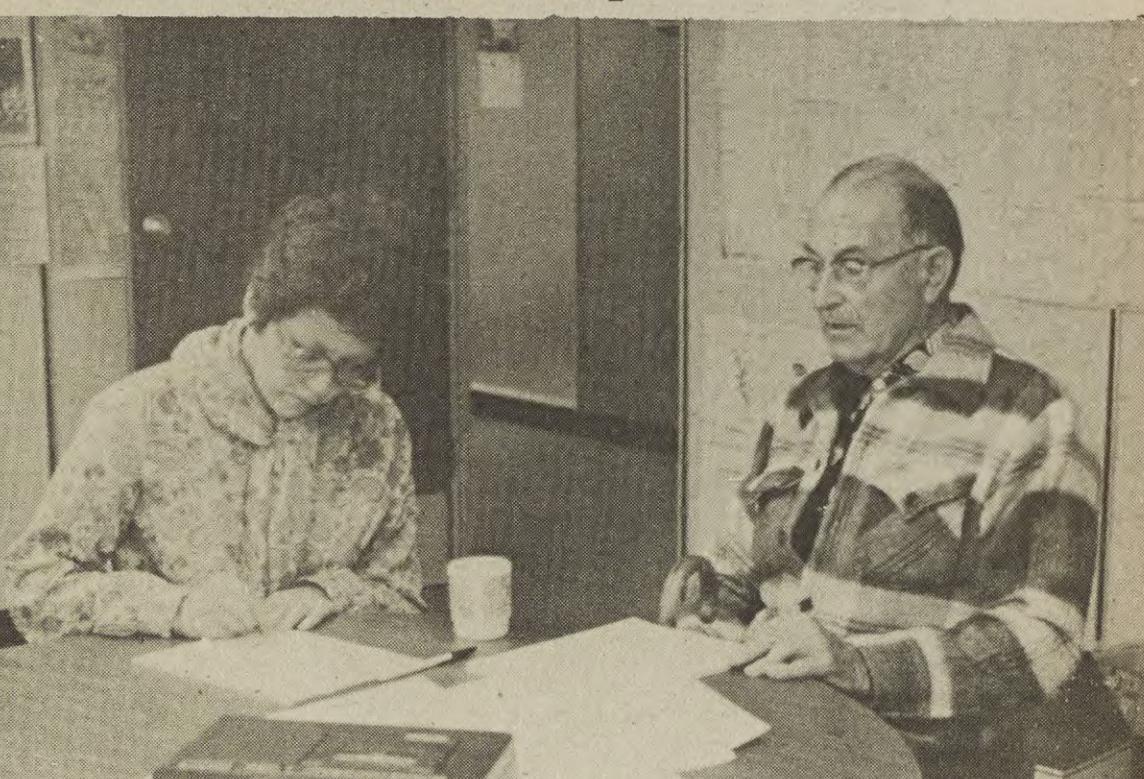
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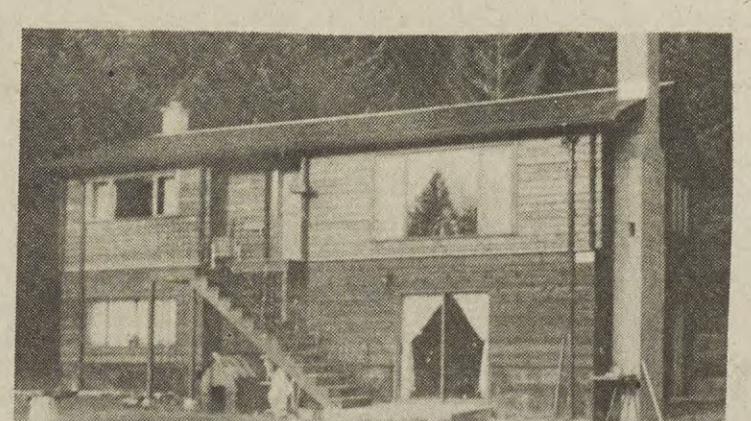
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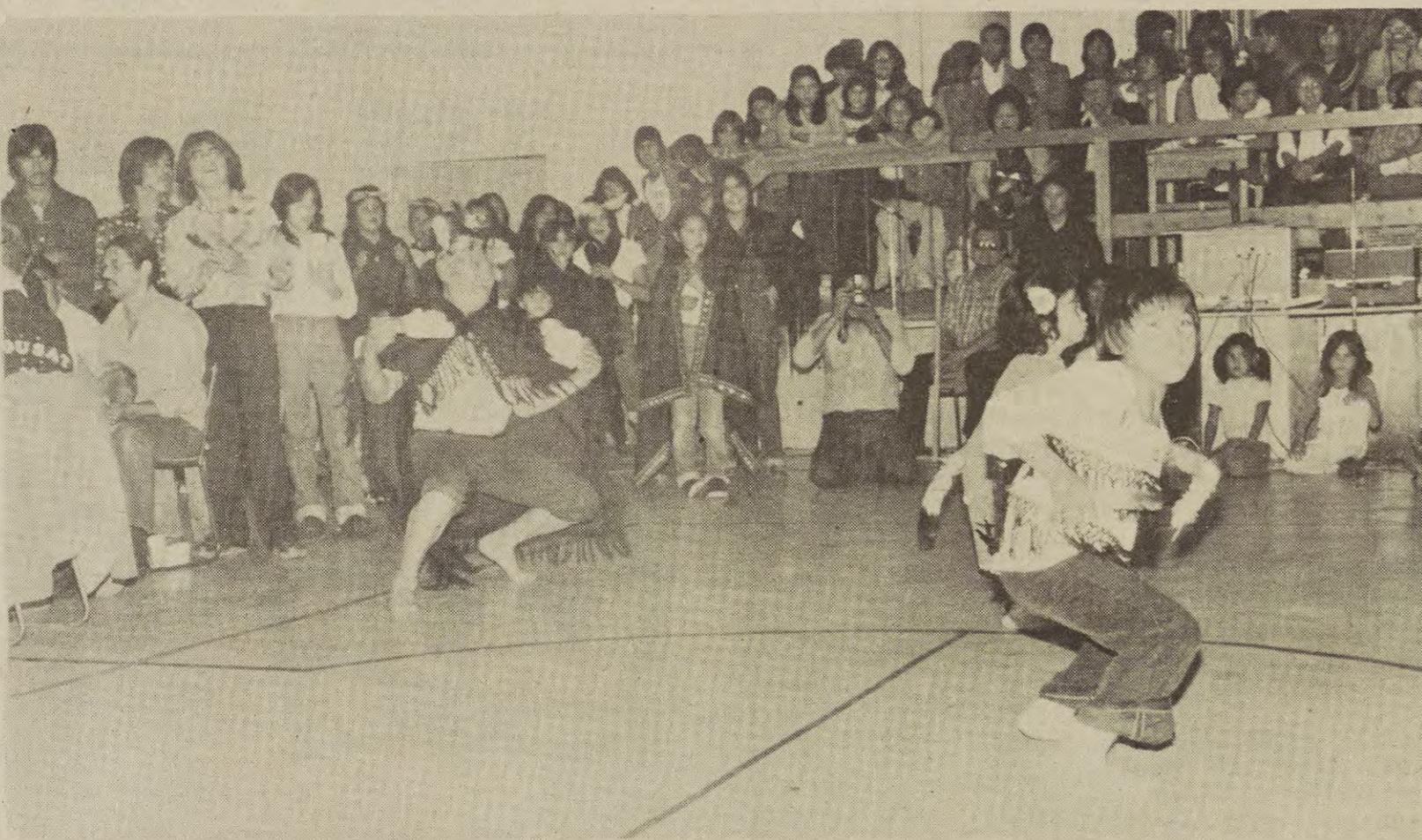
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Mowachaht dancers highlight cultural presentation



Oldtimer Alfred Keitlah Sr. dances the quiqualthla with the younger generation.



Tse-Shaht Band do the "Hummingbird Dance."

YOUTH—OUR GREATEST RESOURCE

Several Nuu-Chah-Nulth bands took part in the entertainment at the Tribal Council Annual Assembly: TseShah, Ahousat, Mowachaht, Hesquiat, Nitinat and people from other bands joining in. Also giving a performance were the young students from the Ha-Ho-Payuk School in Port Alberni.

Most of the Nuu-Chah-Nulth people have seen these bands do their dances at occasions such as weddings and potlatches and as usual they all put on a great show.

A very pleasant surprise for everyone however was the performance that was put on by the Mowachaht people. Almost every young person from their reserve took part in their dancing, from tots to teens, through the twenties; there was over 40 of them that performed.

Most of these young people have never done anything like this before, it was their first time to sing and dance in public, but they did it with great confidence and pride, not only in the dancing but also singing several songs on their own.

The group had been practising every evening for three weeks before the assembly. Much credit has to go to Johnny Williams for training the dancers. His son Matthew also helped out with the teaching. Also there to sing and give support were Maurus McLean, Abel John, Ambrose Maquinna, Jack Johnson and Mary Johnson.

Congratulations to all the Mowachaht people on their wonderful show. Your performance was the highlight of the weekend to most everyone that saw it.



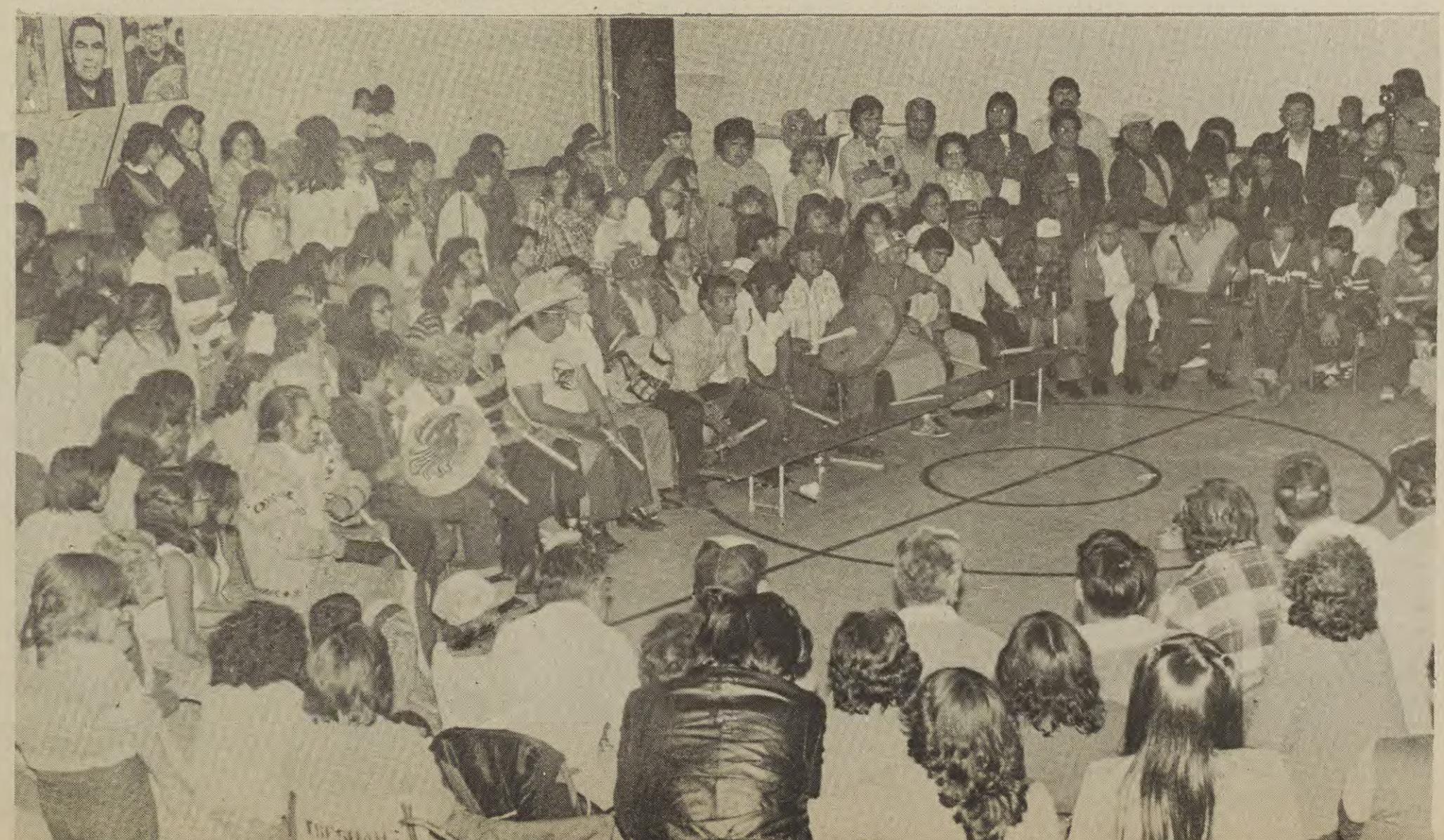
Students from the Ha-Ho-Payuk School were one of the groups to perform their native songs and dances at the annual assembly.



The sparrow dance — "quiqualthia" — was one of the dances performed by the Hesquiats at the annual assembly.



Better be quiet, the dancing is going to start!



Several hundred people turned out for the lahal games that were held during the nights at the annual assembly.

Plans for a Nuu-Chah-Nulth Museum and Cultural Centre

At the Nuu-Chah-Nulth Tribal Council meeting on March 28 and 29, 1981, the council decided to begin planning for a museum and cultural centre to serve all the Nuu-Chah-Nulth people. The council also decided to form an advisory committee with representatives from all Nuu-Chah-Nulth Bands "to advise the Tribal Council on the Cultural Centre."

After this meeting the NTC's planning consultant, Stuart Adams, submitted an application to the first citizen's fund for \$23,100 grant to pay for the first phases of planning. Notification of approval of the full amount was received on July 23rd.

The first meeting of the Nuu-Chah-Nulth Museum and Cultural Advisory Committee was held on September 14th. Ten band members attended, representing the Ehattesaht, Mowachaht, Opetchesah, Sheshaht, Uchucklesaht, and Ucluelet Bands. There was disappointment at the lack of representation from the other seven bands who are members of the Tribal Council. However, it felt that there was strong support that more people would get involved when they know more about the project. Involving elders and some of the younger people who know about the West Coast Culture was felt to be especially important. It was also decided that the Kyuquot and Pacheenaht Band should be invited to participate in planning.

The first step is planning a museum and a cultural centre will be to reach an agreement on what the Nuu-Chah-Nulth wish the centre to be and where they wish it would be located, and on resources available for developing and operating the centre.

It was agreed that the centre should be much more than a conventional museum. Conventional museums are not oriented to the past. A Nuu-Chah-Nulth centre should be a place not only for collecting, preserving and interpreting objects and stories from the past. It should be a place where there is continuity from the past into the present and towards the future, a place of living culture.

The committee agreed that the Nuu-Chah-Nulth museum and cultural

centre should have all of these functions:

—The functions of a traditional museum that collects, preserves, stores, exhibits and interprets art and artifacts and written and spoken material on Nuu-Chah-Nulth history and cultural.

—The functions of an art gallery and centre for the performing arts, so that it is concerned with current cultural developments as well as with the past history and culture.

—The functions of a community arts, recreational and educational centre, so that it is a place for participating in as well as observing cultural activities. Its function for teaching and involving young Nuu-Chah-Nulth people in Nuu-Chah-Nulth culture should be especially emphasized.

—Public relations functions, so that it serves as a vehicle for telling the Nuu-Chah-Nulth story to non-Nuu-Chah-Nulth people.

The only real controversy of the committee centred around the question of location for the centre. Some felt that a location in the area between Tofino and Ucluelet would be best. It is central to the traditional Nuu-Chah-Nulth territory and it is likely to be the best place for attracting tourists. Attraction to tourists is important not just because one of the functions of the centre will

be to tell the Nuu-Chah-Nulth story to non-Nuu-Chah-Nulth people. Tourists admission fees and money tourists pay to purchase arts and crafts from the centre's shop could be important sources of revenue to pay the centre's operation and maintenance.)

Others felt that Port Alberni would be the best location. More Nuu-Chah-Nulth people live in and pass through the Port Alberni area than anywhere else.

Since the committee was unable to resolve the question of location they referred it to the Annual General Assembly. It was not resolved there either. Instead, the decision was made to find some research into the relative merits of the two locations in so far as accessibility and attractiveness to the Nuu-Chah-Nulth people and to tourists are concerned.

The next meeting of the Nuu-Chah-Nulth Museum and Cultural Advisory Committee will be a two-day workshop designed to give committee members and other interested band members information that will help them develop their own ideas on a museum and cultural centre and on other aspects of cultural development. Guest speakers will include staff from other Indian museums, people from the provincial museum and Parks Canada, and Nuu-Chah-Nulth elders and young people knowledgeable about culture. This workshop has been scheduled for

existing information on archeological sites and working to ensure that archeological surveys covering the entire Nuu-Chah-Nulth territories are completed.

—assembling all available information on Nuu-Chah-Nulth history and culture that has been collected by non-Nuu-Chah-Nulth workers.

—collecting oral histories and stories from Nuu-Chah-Nulth holders.

The annual general assembly approved the committee's recommendation to employ a cultural researcher.

The question of staffing the centre was discussed briefly. We should be making efforts to now recruit and train young band members so that there are skilled Nuu-Chah-Nulth available to operate the centre when it is built.

The advisory committee also discussed the need for undertaking cultural research as soon as possible. This research should include:

—completing an inventory of Nuu-Chah-Nulth artifacts held in collections throughout the world and recording the history of acquisition of those artifacts,

—assembling all existing information on archeological sites and working to ensure that archeological surveys covering the entire Nuu-Chah-Nulth territories are completed.

—assembling all

November 16 and 17 but the dates and place are subject to confirmation.

The committee extends an invitation to all interested Nuu-Chah-Nulth people to attend the workshop.

Moses Smith of the Ehattesaht Band has been appointed by the Annual General Assembly as chairman of the Nuu-Chah-Nulth Museum and consultant, Stuart Adams, will act as co-ordinator and secretary.

Anyone interested in the committee's ac-

Co-chairman steps down

Having stepped down from the co-chairmanship for my unability to continue on, because of major health reasons, I felt badly of that action but I guess having that humanistic feelings and limits, I guess I had my limits on many areas of responsibilities, even though more direction is required for the co-chairman of his role and authoritative responsibilities and directions.

But I rejoice in all good things and decisions we've made together and is a wonderful feeling to be a part of the growth of our responsibilities and ideas and progress. If in any way I can be of an influence of good sound decisions, I will in any way be of service to all the peoples of the NTC.

My prayers are to go on in progress of all Nuu-Chah-Nulth Peoples, young and old, able and unable, weak or strong.

In any case I enjoyed being part of most of the major decisions made by the Chiefs and will continue indirectly being of some resource or advisory capacity. The other reasons are to devote more time to my growing family and greater responsibility is required there. Although I do not anticipate any problems but to be of some encouragement to my children of what is important for them to know in this day and age, and continue with their education.

YOUTH—OUR GREATEST RESOURCE

I felt personally, even though I did not complete the conference, that it was and is the best step ever taken by the Tribal Council. It surely encourages not only people that have been in this sphere of work for years but to the Youth in taking and also offering services of responsibilities to the conference.

I believe I did see and witness a little of that in this meeting, and that was shown by the Great Mowachaht Peoples. I believe we were all totally speechless of their performance but the ability to show people that we do not need these worldly things to make us happy and be proud of what we are. I offer my most sincere congratulations to the Mowachaht Youths of their efforts to show us that these are possible. This is only one of these reasons I mention what can be done and I detest and always will of this dirty habit of the alcohol problems that is killing and devouring our people to nothing — to no future only to misery and neglected unhappy children.

Let us take heed of the cautions mentioned, and only then we shall rise and not be spat upon, scorned and humiliated, degraded and told of our hopelessness in this society. Let us get up on our feet and show the public, the world that we too can be of this society in such a way that it will not take away our history identities and culture as native people and be proud of it.

I truly hope that some of these concerns of mine will be of justifications and acceptable to the forum and the people of the Nuu-Chah-Nulth. I will say again, I truly and with deepest regrets for

my continuation as a co-chairman, say I'm very sorry and if any dissention have been created during my time "please" accept my apology.

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There are a lot of responsibilities out there, a lot of us do not realize this, but I trust also that the leaders (our examples) to take heed of these cautions and downfalls. I offer encouragement and strength to you all.

Many, many thanks to those of whom offered support of my time as your co-chairman. It is hard to put to words and expressions of my gratitude to you all, I learned a lot and will continue to learn. I trust that you leaders will truly be of leaders to provide trust and comfort to your communities and make that progress and growth.

I offer my prayers to all the leaders and communities of the Great Nuu-Chah-Nulth Peoples. May God Bless all so richly in his trust and faith and hopes.

Sincerely Yours,
EDGAR CHARLIE
Ahousat Band

Skelly sees solution to problems CHANGE THE GOVERNMENT

When asked what can be done to stop the destruction of the environment on the West Coast, Alberni MLA Bob Skelly has a simple answer, "Change the Government."

Skelly, who is the NDP environment critic in the legislature, charges that the forest companies "can be judged on their record of performance, and as far as I'm concerned, they've got a lousy record."

Skelly believes that there should be new jobs created in the forest industry instead of the ever-increasing layoffs of today. "With advanced silviculture techniques that would produce thousands of new trees, there would be more jobs." Instead over the past 20 years jobs have been decreasing, due to automation.

"The companies are making the last grab for the old growth timber — that's where the fish streams, Indian villages, archaeological sites, and watersheds are," says Skelly.

Many of these areas are sensitive to logging with their steep slopes and heavy rainfall being contributing factors to slides and erosion. Skelly gave several examples of slides on the West Coast, despite "so-called advanced logging techniques," — at Kennedy Lake towards Toquaht, Catface Mountain, Lone Cone, and at Hot Springs Cove where the Hesquiat

Band's water system was wiped out by a slide last winter. Skelly says that he has been told of logging crews north of Hot Springs that had been called off the job because of the ground moving where they were working.

Skelly says that the companies have promised improvements in silviculture and reforestation for years now but he hasn't seen any improvement at all. "Their paramount concern is profit from timber," Skelly says, "and they have the approval of the government. The Socreds are in the hands of the forest companies." Skelly gives Steamer Cove on Flores Island as an example. MacMillan Bloedel has been issued a foreshore lease at Steamer Cove to take logs. They will also

have a floating camphouse which will dump up to 4,000 gallons of sewage a day into the water. In recent years fishermen have been denied anchorage at Steamer Cove because it was a sensitive spawning ground. Skelly protested this foreshore lease to Tom Waterland, the Minister of Forests for the Province but Waterland dismissed the protest saying that he expected that proper safeguards will be imposed by all responsible persons.

"Federal fisheries isn't going to protect you," says Skelly, "they're dominated by politicians."

The forest companies exert so much influence over the federal government that a fisheries officer can't take a stand on these things."

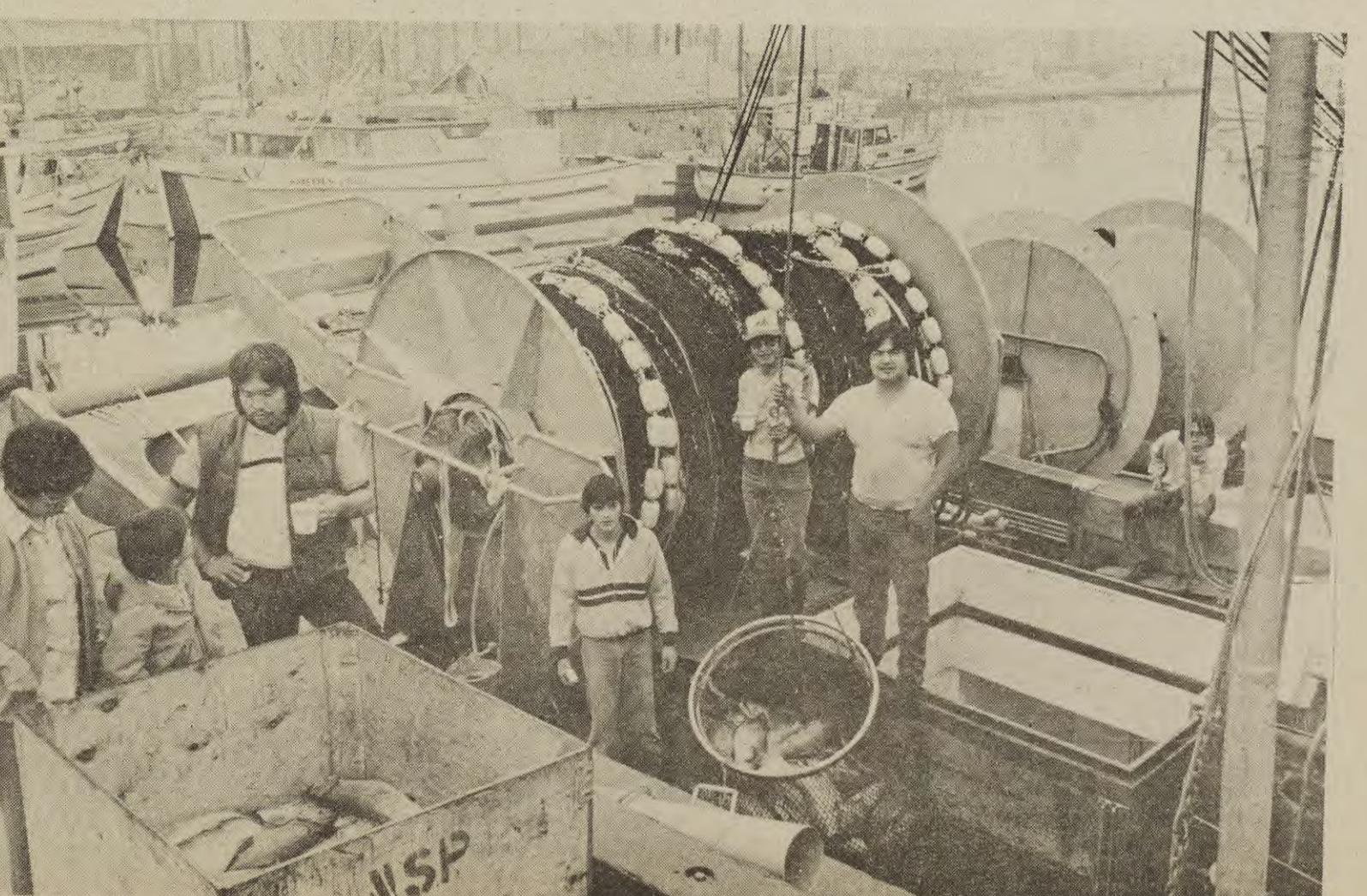
Indian language lesson

The following is a list of words in the Ahousat language.

Hammer	Humma
Saw	Chit yuk
Nail	Cla pik ma
Pencil	Cleese yuk
Needle	Nee-yuk
Thread	Nee-pa to
Scissors	Club-yuk
Bottle	Na po faa yee
Toy	Ka-ka-nee
Ball	Hoop-kumlih
Where is?	Wah see h
Over there	Hoo ya hee
Here	Hee ya hee



Nitinats are led in a dance by Joshua Edgar at the annual assembly.



The crew of the Princess Colleen unload their catch to families in Hot Springs Cove, Opitsat and Port Alberni. Pat Charleson Sr. and Alberni, to help them through the winter months.

AHOUSAHT NEWS

Fishing as usual has had its ups and downs, and some with the good luck for them have been able to pay for costs, such as gear, fuel, grub, etc. It is getting very difficult to be in that business or even enter into the fishing industry is impossible.

Today many of our boys, as much as they'd like to, cannot get into the commercial field of fishing. We truly hope that some agreements or settlements can be made to, for one thing to lessen the high unemployment in this community and of course in all of the Nuu-Chah-Nulth communities.

In regards to the mosquito fleet (putt putt fleet), it's a matter of life and death so to speak, with the high costs of fuel and gear, for sure, at least a half dozen fish must be caught but, if only one or two are caught which is usually the case then, difficult financial problem erupts for the little guys.

Maybe getting back to the old traditional ways and means of fishing which is the canoe, will have to be the answer to all this in order to get some fish smoked and jarred for the long winter months. We've noticed especially the last couple of years that more and more of the "MaMalth-nee" are the ones that are manning the canoes and paddles around our area.

For food fishing, it has not been that plentiful for us, even though we would have appreciated a few more, but we certainly hope that the "dog salmon" will levy the stocks of concerned families.

Even though, we all realize, as experienced fishing of the high seas, it is also so risky and dangerous at times.

I would like at this time from all of us to pay tribute to a great, super friendly and an honest humble fisherman, "Mike Hanson." And certainly with his respect to the seas, we offer prayers and giving thanks for his contribution to the great Nuu-Chah-Nulth peoples to show his kindness and friendliness he always showed no matter who they were. Thanks Mike.

I truly hope and sincerely hope your friendliness will transpire to many others of the coast. "A great fisherman you were."

We've had many near tragedies, also some incidents and some of them only through ignorance and carelessness. And I trust

through many of the great speeches made at the NTC Conference that it will surely encourage all of us to give greater respect to ourselves and our well being and of course to our concerned families. Drive your boat in "always" the best manner as possible.

Kelthsmah Family — Interdenominational Bible Camp was at its best in every way — weather, attendance, contributions. This year we had a total of approximately 150 tents with approximately 600 people participating in every way. We offer special thanks and blessings to those of whom offered so much unlimited assistance to make this camp the best in the five years its been on.

Many special guest speakers were there, to mention a few: Richard Atleo (Camp Director) and family, Luke Atleo and family, George Atleo and family, Eugene Atleo and family, Louie Frank Sr., Father Frank "Smiley" Salmon, Reverend Earl Johnson, Reverend Merv Bowden, Reverend Alex Sutherland, Pastor Norman Dennis, C.G.O Team from USA and of course "all" the elders of the Ahousat community.

We offer special thanks to all the young people who worked so hard, getting the fire wood, drinking water, etc. Thanks a lot guys.

The proposed date for the 1982 camp will be July 19 to 25 and we invite you all to come even for a day or two if possible. It's a good spiritual experience.

Richard Atleo, our camp director for the last three years is considering I'm sure having the stepping down but at advantage of knowing present it's a matter of your own environment prayer. We certainly offer prayers for his work and also to this community to become more active of its activities.

Through the grapevine we hear that Father Frank Salmon will be moving from our area. Personally a great man of God he is, we certainly will miss him when that times comes, "if it occurs." Our prayers are to have him for some time longer. It certainly has created a united showing of fellowship and Christian work in our community.

Another program that's sure it will be another year of good camping for all ages.

Also, getting back to the

Ahousat Resource Technology School, which consists of 24 or more students taking part in that school. The school does consist of students from grades nine to 12.

The whole purpose of course is to study our natural resources which are the fishing, forestry, conservations and many more like carpentry, boat repairs, engine repair and upkeep, these only to mention a few. So with these types of programs inserted into our school system, could very well be the best move ever taken, in order for us, one day to reshape the stocks of fish through the salmon enhancement program, incidentally these students will incubate 50,000 fish eggs and release them for future stocks in years to come.

Also in the area of the forestry, logging is stripping our lands with no consideration of the rivers and the people that are affected in the area.

So to mention only these two items of importance to us we hope it will have established a sound foundation to get our people specialized in these fields, to have more, or total control of all our resources. So I wish these students the best and I know with the fullest of confidence we shall achieve that control.

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There were the staff of

the band office and other interested people took up a computer course held right in our office for one solid week. I believe it

LIFE

Life, so they say,
is but a game.
And we let it slip away.
Love, like the autumn sun
should be dying,
but it's only just begun.
Dreams, so they say,
are for fools.
And we let them drift away.

Like the twilight in the road,
We don't see just where we're going.
And all the years will come and go,
take us up always, up.
Like Columbus in the olden days,
we must gather all our courage,
sail our ships on an open sea,
and cast away all our fears.
We may never pass this way again.

I want to laugh while the laughing's easy.
I want to cry if it makes it all worthwhile.
I may never pass this way again,
that's why I want it with you.
Because you make me feel
like I'm more than a friend.
Like I'm the journey,
and you're the journey's end.

RUBINA BABIAN CHARLESON

and that was going to the Christie Residence to talk and encourage the young people and not only that, to be on the receptive end of some ideas and initiatives by the youths, which is a good policy, rather than saying, "Hey, here's something good for you, take it and appreciate it." Those days are gone, they must show their inherited abilities and innovations to themselves and their community.

To this day, Chief Bert Mack has certainly shown interest and wishes to take part in the program at Christie Residence. We certainly encourage people interested to come, no dates are set, and I take the liberty to offer special thanks in advance. To the Christie School Administrator, Pat Little and the staff. They have opened the doors to have a session once each month in this school term 1981-82. There may be pot luck suppers and other things to go on. So be in touch with our offices (Ernie Campbell and/or Selina Frank at 670-9563 or 670-9531).

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EDGAR CHARLIE

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Brother O'Brian honored for 30 years of service

On the evening of helpfulness over the past September 30 a surprise party was held at the Christie residence for Brother O'Brian, in celebration of his birthday and for 30 years of service of the West Coast.

Brother Reg came to the Old Christie School in 1951 where he worked for 20 years, and for the past 10 years he has been at the Christie residence where he works as a handyman and helps out in whatever way he can.

About 375 people enjoyed a dinner prepared by head chief Norman Tom and the Christie staff.

After dinner Brother Reg was given a birthday cake and a number of gifts from his friends.

Speeches were made in praise of his kindness and

Louise McCarthy thanked Brother O'Brian for all the mothers and grandmothers for the care and discipline that was given to their children at Christie.

Archie Frank said that Reg had "expertise on everything from bench nails to marriage counselling." "He's an example of how we should be," said Archie,

Barney Williams Sr. said that he remembered when Brother Reg got off the steamship "Maquinna" in 1951 and he's been helping people here ever since.

Louie Frank Sr. said that every family on the West Coast has adopted Reg as a member of their family. An eagle carving was given to Reg on behalf of the whole Frank Nation.

Then the Hesquiat did

several of their dances, with singing provided by Paul Lucas Sr., George Ignace, and Louie Sabsas.

Next there were several dances by the Ahousats. Harold Little Sr. presented Brother O'Brian with a carved canoe and paddle on behalf of his grandchildren who had been dancing. Harold said that

he was amazed that Brother O'Brian stuck it out for 30 years on the West Coast. "There have been a lot of white people come here on the West Coast but they haven't stayed with us that long," said Harold.

The last dance of the evening was done by Jack Little, Karen Charleson, April Charleson, and Donna Amos, who did the "Kim-Kimti" with Alex Amos singing.

It is rumored that Reg will be returning to the Old Christie School, Kakawis to help Father Gerry. Father Gerry commented that he hopes Reg comes back there for his next 30 years to fix up all the hay-wire he put up years ago.

CLASSIFIED

Congratulations

Help Wanted

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

An executive director is required by the Port Alberni Friendship Centre, Port Alberni, B.C.

The applicant would work under the direction and control of the Board of Directors. The applicant must have knowledge in preparing budget proposals, financial statements, monthly activity reports and represent and negotiate in further planning for programs. Also, replying to correspondence requesting information of services and personally supervising the work of the staff employed by the centre. The applicant would also have to attend board of director meetings along with provincial meetings where required.

Salary \$1400 a month.

Send resumes to the Port Alberni Friendship Centre, 3178 - 2nd Avenue, Port Alberni, B.C.

New arrivals

Congratulations to Hudson Webster and Janet Webster (nee Lucas) on the arrival of their son, Joshua Webster, born September 2, 1981, weighing in at 8 lbs. 1 oz.

We would like to thank those people who helped us at the time of our loss of our dear son, grandson and nephew Chiodo Marshall. We would like to thank you people from Ahousat, Ucluelet and Port Alberni. Special thanks to Jim and Pearl, Irma Bos, George Frank and Louis Joseph.

Kleco-Kleco. Steve, Joyce, Marshall, Henry, Bessie and family.

FOR SALE

Carvings (wall plaques, masks, headdresses, poles), drums, basketwork, beading. Made to order. Charlie and Caroline Mickey, 3681 Anderson Ave., near the high school, Port Alberni. 723-2593

Thank you

I would like to thank everyone who came to my party. And for making my 21st birthday the best birthday I've ever had. At the time words could not express my feelings, only tears and a smile.

Thank you all.

To-Ti-Ul-Them (PAMELA GUS)

Happy birthday (NO. 19)

October 28th

to my dear little sister-in-law Cindy Keitlah wishing you many more to come you're on the right track kid!

Happy Sweet 16th

Birthday to Uncle Dave for the 24th of November.

Love Tricia and her Mom.

HA-SHILTH-SA

Next issue

Our last issue of Ha-Shilth-Sa for 1981 will come out during the first week of December. Deadline is November 27th. So if you want to wish anyone a Merry Christmas write or call before the end of November.

On holidays

To Whom It May Concern:

I will be going on holidays for two weeks between November 2nd to 15th. Messages can be left at the Nuu-Chah-Nulth Tribal Council Office at Maht Mahs.

BOB SODERLUND
Editor

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Raffle winners

Winners of the Native Alcohol Awareness Committee's raffle which was drawn on September 26th were: Larry Baird (picture-Sacred Circle of Life); Ms. M. Warren, UNN - Victoria (touque) and Barbe Barnswell (hair ties).

Thanks to Beryl Cardy, Elizabeth Tatoosh and Chris Fraser for making and donating the prizes.

FOUND

Found at the Nuu-Chah-Nulth Tribal Council Assembly on September 26, a wedding band engraved Gina on the inside. Can be picked up at the Tribal Council Office at Maht Mahs.

In memory of my niece, Iris Frank

As time passes I think more of you. And remember your laughter. As you brought sunshine, to lots of people. Your death not in vain dear Iris. Memories of you keep me sober. And more determined to stay sober. Dear Iris Thank-you for my sobriety.

Ever Remembered By
MABEL MARTIN

A MESSAGE

Issac Joe you were an instrument for God. To let us know loud and clear. We have to start to do God's Holy Will, Dear sisters and brothers if anybody starts to do his Holy Will, then our dear Issac Joe's death will not be in vain.

Ever Remembered and Loved
By a relative and friend
MABEL MARTIN

REMEMBERING YOU

For: Michael Patrick Hanson
Kenneth Stephen Hanson
Francis Henry Jack

There is only one reason,
It is so hard to let go,
Because remembering you is all we do.
The things we've done together,
The love we shared
Each in his very own way.

We all had our good times,
With each one of you,
And we had our bad times,
But always tried to pull each other through.
If only you three could know,
What we're going through,
Without all of you.

Dad, Ken, Francis, we miss you all,
And we need you, to talk to, to listen to,
To cry with, to laugh with.
The pain of losing you is almost unbearable,
The hurt is so deep within,
But until the time for us comes
We now depart with caring thoughts
And of course the "beautiful loving
memories."

Love,
Verna, Pete, Jenny & Russell.

Our day, dad

A special poem for Michael P. Hanson
(October 3rd)

Remember Dad,
One day each year,
Was our day.

Just mine and yours,

Remember Dad,

It was "our birthday",

Each year there was a cake

That always had,

"HAPPY BIRTHDAY DAD & VERA"

Written in bold and beautiful colors.

But not anymore Dad,

It'll be a "lonely" cake,

A "lonely" celebration,

And Dad, I'll be "lonely"

Without you.

Dad as the day draws closer and closer

Tears fall down my cheeks

And I miss you more and more

Now, all I can do Dad is

Remember Dad,

Just Remember.

With love and wonderful memories I'll always remember you, my dear Father-In-Law.

VERNA HANSON

In loving memory of Columba Tom

My dearest grandmother you were special person,
Also you were the person I understood.

I will always remember the things we shared together. You were the kindest person I had ever known.

We all miss you very much.

Our great Lord had to come to take the person away,

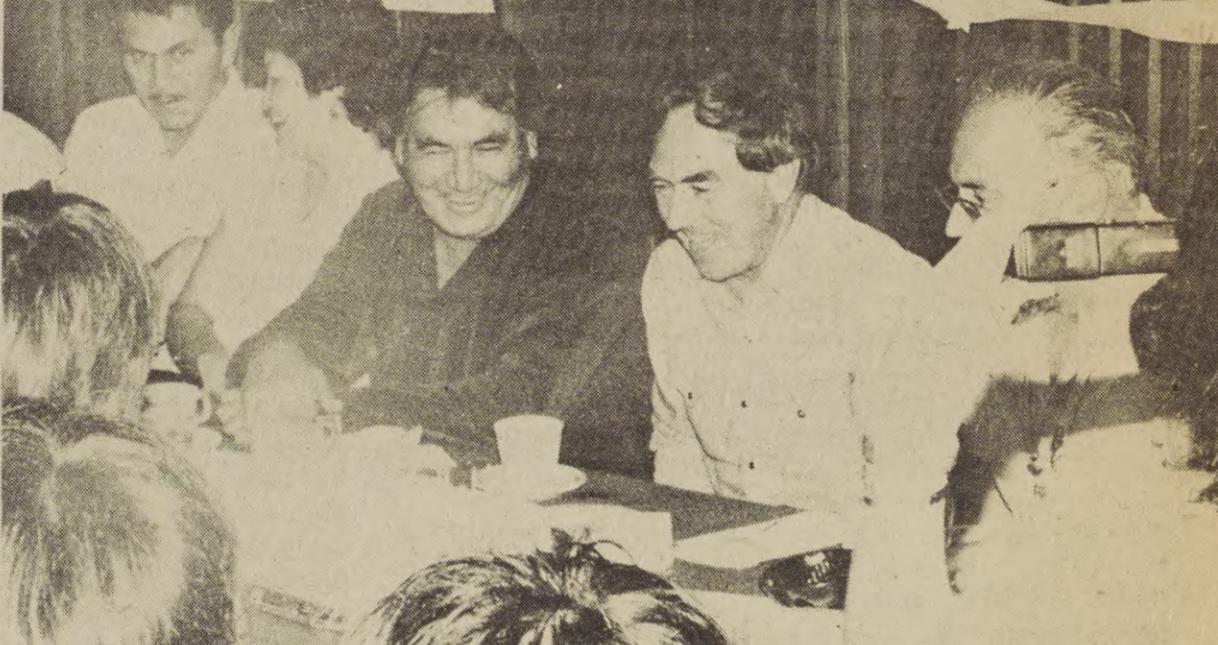
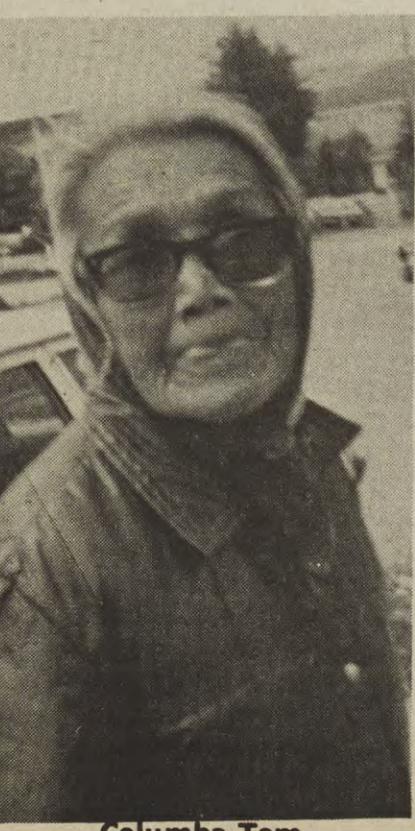
Who meant so much to us.

You are always in my thoughts each passing day.

Just can't seem to forget you,
Our love for you I can't express.
Even you knew we cared,
We loved you and took care of you.
Just can't take it anymore,
I must realize you are gone.
I always think of your laughter, you smile,
I can't forget you "Grandmother."

Love always

DARLENE CHARLIE
Clayoquot Band



celebration for Brother O'Brian.



Caroline Little leads the young Ahousat dancers



Hoy Hoy joins in celebrating with a sparrow dance for Reg O'Brian.



We've only just begun to live.
White lace and promises,
a kiss for good luck and we're on our way.

Before the rising sun we fly.
So many roads to choose.
We start out walking and learn to run.
And, yes, we've only just begun.

Sharing horizons that are new to us,
watching the signs along the way.
Talking it over, just the two of us,
working day to day.

RUBINA BABIAN CHARLESON

FOR SALE —CHEAP!

The Ha-Shilth-Sa can be bought at the Tse-Shaht Market on Sproat Lake Road in Port Alberni.

CHIEF DAN GEORGE

Chief Dan George passed away at the age of 82 on September 23 in North Vancouver.

Chief Dan was well-known as an actor, author and spokesman on behalf of the native people.

His most famous acting role was in the movie, "Little Big Man", for which he was nominated for an academy award.

Chief Dan's final resting place is at the Burrard Reserve in North Vancouver. Over 1,000 people came to pay their last respects. George Clutesi from the Tseshah Band represented the Nuu-Chah-Nulth people at the services.

Chief Dan George leaves two sons, four daughters and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

The following is a famous speech made by Chief Dan George during Canada's Centenary celebrations. It shows his great concern for his native people.

"How long have I known you, Oh Canada? A hundred years? Yes, a hundred years, and many many 'seelnum' more. And today, you celebrate your hundred years, Oh Canada, I am sad for all the Indian people throughout the land.

"For I have known you when your forests were mine; when they gave me my meat and my clothing. I have known you in your streams and rivers where your fished flashed and danced in the sun, where the waters said come, and eat of my abundance. I have known you in the freedom of your winds. And my spirit, like the winds, once roamed your good lands.

"But in the long hundred years since the white man came, I have seen my freedom disappear like the salmon going mysteriously out to sea. The white man's strange customs which I could not understand, pressed down upon me until I could no longer breathe.

"When I fought to protect my land and my home, I was called a savage. When I neither understood nor welcomed this way of life, I tried to rule my people, I was stripped of my authority.

"My nation was ignored in your history textbooks; they were little more important in the history of Canada than the buffalo that ranged the plains. I was ridiculed in your plays and motion pictures, and when I drank your firewater, I got drunk — very, very drunk. And I forgot.

"O Canada, how can I celebrate with you this Centenary, this hundred years? Shall I thank you for the reserves that are left to me of my beautiful forests?

For the canned fish of my rivers? For the loss of my pride and authority, even among my own people? For the lack of my will to fight back? No! I must forget what's past and gone.

"O God in Heaven! Give me back the courage of the old Chiefs. Let me wrestle with my surroundings. Let me again as in the days of old, dominate my environment. Let me humbly accept this new culture and through it rise up and go on."

"Oh God! Like the thunderbird of old I shall rise again out of the sea; I shall grab the instruments of the white man's success — his education, his skills, and with these new tools I shall build my race into the proudest segment of your society. Before I follow the great Chiefs who have gone before us, Oh Canada, I shall see these things come to pass.

"I shall see our young braves and our chiefs sitting in the houses of law and government, ruling and being ruled by the knowledge and freedom of our great land. So shall we shatter the barriers of our isolation. So shall the next hundred years be the greatest in the proud history of our tribes and nations."

MEARES ISLAND UPDATE

Work on the integrated resources management plan for Meares Island began in May, 1980. Since then community involvement in the many facets of study and planning has brought over 40 persons into the picture. This is easily the most active project of its type in the Province with the largest group of participants.

A lot of data has been gathered and analyzed by the four working groups since March. Because of the need for more information and the time needed to assess it

properly, the Planning Team Chairman, Russ Campbell recently adjusted the target date for presenting the completed plan to the Chief Forester. Rather than August 31, 1981, as first suggested, he now feels that it will be the end of 1982 before the Planning Team can send their plan to the Chief Forester.

The planning team has agreed to extend to November 30, 1981 the deadline for persons

wishing to submit reports. The mailing address is: District Manager, Port Alberni Forest District, 4227-6th Ave., Port Alberni, B.C., V9Y 4N1.

News release —
Port Alberni
Forest District
October 5, 1981

The Meares Island Planning Team met Tuesday, September 29; those present included Government agencies, logging company representatives, Village of Tofino, Friends of Clayoquot Sound, Nuu-Chah-Nulth Tribal Council, and Pacific Rim National Park. Positive discussion carried the team forward in its task of developing options for land use on Meares Island near Tofino.

One option for Meares Island is partial preservation; on Tuesday the Planning Team moved that the four working groups prepare data supporting preservation of the west side of Mount Colnett, and the southern slopes of Lone Cone. Coincident in this area are the water supply for Tofino, high visual impact, terrain classes 4 and 5 indicating instability, and the estuarine mudflats of Lemmens Inlet.

Dennis Bendickson of MacMillan Bloedel Ltd. presented a logging plan option for discussion. Planning Team members stressed that the logging plan option should not be misconstrued as a working plan. The plan details three alternative road systems, log dump site alternatives, and harvesting projections over five years.

Further studies were called for during the meeting. A subcommittee was formed to administer funds and co-ordinate a salmon spawning habitat assessment for Meares Island streams. Up to \$6,000 was voted for use in an inventory of resident and migratory birds utilizing upper Lemmens Inlet and Mosquito Harbour.

These studies will be funded by an allocation by the Vancouver Forest Region of up to \$30,000. Use of this sum is anticipated in additional studies, a planning coordinator's salary, clerical, drafting assistance and supplies, and consulting services.



Chief Dan George speaks out for native rights at Victoria in 1974.